## News Release

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## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY RECOMMENDS ALTERNATE ROUTES FOR BASS PRO SHOP GRAND OPENING

The grand opening of the Bass Pro Shop in Mesa on Wednesday, June 6 and Thursday, June 7 is expected to draw thousands.

In addition, traffic to and from the store on Saturday, June 9 is expected to be extremely heavy as well.

As a result, the Arizona Department of Public Safety recommends taking alternate routes to avoid traffic congestion.

The traffic on State Route 202 eastbound will be extremely heavy. The Dobson road off ramp on that freeway is the only off ramp in the new store's immediate area.

DPS suggests exiting State Route 202 at Alma School and proceeding south to  $8^{th}$  Street. From there, travel west on  $8^{th}$  Street to Dobson and then north on Dobson to Bass Pro Drive.

For those motorists using either northbound or southbound Loop 101 on their way to the store, DPS suggests using the University exit then going east to Dobson and then north to avoid heavy traffic.

\*\*Please share this information with your traffic departments\*\*